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New president named

Dr. J. William Wenrich

After a half-year nationwide search, Dr. J. William Wenrich has been unanimously selected by the Board as the new chief administrative officer for SAC and the RSCCD. The 42-year-old president of Canada Community College in Redwood City was chosen from 80 applicants and will resume duties on July 1.

Wenrich is replacing current president/superintendent Dr. John E. Johnson, who is retiring June 30 after 40 years in education including the presidency since 1957. His four-year contract sets his annual salary at $51,000. Wenrich's appointment was confirmed at a special Board meeting Monday night and a celebration followed at the Nieuport 17 restaurant.

Outgoing President Johnson called his successor "among the educational leaders in this country."

Wenrich has served as president of the 8,300-student Canada College for the past four years and before that served as vice-president for administrative affairs at Ferris State College in Michigan.

He received his bachelor's degree with honors from Princeton University and his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Michigan. His Ph.d. is in community adult education.

Among his academic awards are the Hinsdale Scholar Award for the top Ph.d. candidate in education at the University of Michigan and the Rockefeller Brothers Fellowship for theological studies.

His background includes a stint as a foreign service officer for the U.S. State Department in Washington D.C. and Bolivia. He also served as a representative for the International Development Foundation in the Dominican Republic.

On the academic side, Wenrich worked as assistant to the president and research director of the College of San Mateo and a research project director at the University of Michigan.

"I'm excited, thrilled and enthusiastic," Wenrich said after being appointed. "Dr. Johnson is a hard act to follow," he proclaimed. He described himself as a "participatory manager," adding, "I think people should have a say in things that will affect their lives."

el DON will do a longer followup on the new president next week.

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News briefs

Student awaits decision

Margie Alvarez, a student worker, took the district to small claims court on April 5. Because of the State Supreme Court decision to lift the freeze on state employee's salaries, Alvarez is hoping to receive retroactive pay for the difference in minimum wage (from $2.65 an hour to $2.90). Thomas Wright, dean of fiscal affairs, represented the district. Both are awaiting the decision from Judge Gary Ryan who is researching the minimum wage laws.

CEFA agreement

The CEFA (Continuing Education Faculty Association) finally reached an agreement April 4 on the mediated offer for a new contract which is expected to go to the board for ratification on April 23.

CEFA had filed an impass because they could not agree on terms. A mediator was brought in March 30 at their request to solve the differences in the contract.

They came to an agreement which, says Dick Brunell, dean of the Business Division, is "basically the same as the original offer and the same as all the other units. "In addition," continued Brunell, "a study group will be set up to determine the wages and working loads of part-time instructors." A study will be done, comparing the efficiency of the new agreement with other districts.

Touch of "Gonged?"

The ill-fated Touch of Gong and ice cream social has been cancelled. Because of bad weather, the events were postponed one too many times, so they have been humanely gonged. ASB will instead devote their time to the many upcoming activities.

Find out how old you are

Since some people age faster or slower than the average, a one-day class entitled "How Old Would You be if You Didn't Know How Old You were" will be held April 28. Registration deadline is April 21 and the class will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Small Theater at Orange High School.

The method of finding out your chronological age includes about a dozen short, painless tests that require about 30 minutes. The rest of the seminar will be devoted to an exercise and jogging session and series of lectures.

Check the Continuing Adult Education schedule for application.

History field trip open

History classes are planning an architectural field trip. The Uniroyal Rubber Co., Bradbury Building, Bonaventure Hotel and Hollyhock House are some of the places featured. Bus leaves at 9:00 a.m. April 25, no charge except lunch. Contact Mr. Ghelfi, ext. 425.

Calendar debated

by Debbie Dumon

At the last Board of Trustees meeting, ASSAC President Ken Clay asked the trustees to reconsider a proposal to adopt a calendar which would begin on Aug. 27 and end before Christmas vacation. The second semester would begin at the end of January and finish at the end of May.

The Faculty Senate held a special meeting on Wednesday to decide its position on the issue. Athletic Coach Howard Brubaker feels, "It's going to be better for the students in that they don't have to return after Christmas vacation for exams. The retention for classes should be greater."

The Senate Calendar Committee recommended it because: it would reduce the high percentage drop rates; the students seem to want it; it would strengthen the college position for new student enrollment by being in line with California State colleges and universities; Saddleback College is on an early calendar so SAC would regain those students living closer to the school; and there's an 80 per cent chance of losing reserves, so now's the time to use them to make the transition.

Fred Mabbutt, political science teacher, urged the faculty to oppose it because, "when calendar changes are made enrollments tend to drop up to 20 per cent because of initial confusion regarding when to register for classes."

He explained, "Personally I'm in favor of it, but not at this time." Because of Proposition 13, "it could hurt the long term funding. It is very likely that the state will come up with a permanent system of funding for community colleges within the next year, based on current levels of enrollment."

Other problems could develop since the college has already suffered budget cuts due to shrinking enrollment--more students taking fewer units; there are no binding agreements with other Orange County community colleges, which could result in students transferring to be on the later calendar; and major enrollment (adult part-time and evening students) usually enroll after their children are enrolled in K-12 districts.

However, Brubaker found that, "Grossmont College had predicted a 12 per cent increase for that year, but only increased five per cent." So, there was still an increase and there is no evidence of how accurate the original prediction was.

"The bottom line is what's best for education," Brubaker concluded.

According to law, community colleges must operate on the same number of days (175) as a high school, not the shorter calendar of four-year institutions. Mabbutt feels, "This is the basis of all the evil. I hope Senator John Schmitz (SAC teacher) might suggest a change in the calendar (to the state legislature) to a more logical basis."

The Faculty Senate voted to support the calendar. Students are encouraged to voice their opinion by either expressing it to Ken Clay or attending next Monday's Board meeting.

Forensics fifth in nation

In what may be SAC speech team's last competitive event off campus for some time, the forensics squad, 11 strong, traveled to uncomfortably cold Bloomington, Minnesota for the national speech finals and placed fifth overall out of 75 schools.

Gold awards were presented to the competitors who finished in the top five per cent. Individual gold awards were won by Geb Small and Frank Castro for extemporaneous speaking. ASSAC President Ken Clay captured silver prizes for impromptu and extemporaneous events.

The Interpreters Theatre also faired well despite the cold weather in Minnesota (no one froze up before his events). The troupe, which consists of Joe Walther, Paul Medaille, Danny King and Brendan Beach took a gold award for their 23-minute presentation entitled, "The Myth of Masculinity." Also, Medaille and Walther took the gold for duet acting; each took individual silver awards for oral interpretation. Beach and King took a silver prize for duet acting Speech team members Cindee Johnson and Cheryl Edwards each captured bronze awards in oral interpretation.

The speech team may only be competing in intra-school debates after this year because of budget cuts. A decision on this will be made soon.

COUNTRY FAIR WINNERS--Marshall Pete "The Tree Man" Maddox protected life and limb at the ICC Country Fair. Sheriff "Handy Andy" Hummel, and Deputy Sheriffs Dexter "Cornelius" Cole and Ron "Dillon" Ford were also elected to head the posse. Miss Donna "Kitty" Reider was Miss Country Fair with "Mini Pearl" Aguilar her runner up.

(photo by Joe Green)

Editorial

SAC: looking at a new calendar

A new school calendar, does SAC need a change? At present there are three proposals for a calendar change in the upcoming school year.

Of these three, there remains the alternative to retain the present system which provides for the ever-awaited two-week Christmas vacation, while instruction would begin Sept. 10 with commencement taking place June 12.

Another proposal we feel is weaker would dictate a week-long Christmas vacation calling for the semester to end earlier than normal on Jan. 23 to accommodate tranfers to four-year schools and commencement on June 6.

A final and perhaps more radical alternative would establish Aug. 27 as a starting date and Dec. 13 as an end for the fall semester. In this situation, the spring semester would be scheduled from Jan. 14 to May 23. Within each of these proposals there exists concrete foundation for each. However, the early calendar appears to be the better of the three.

Opposition to any change indicates that the risks involved in such a move outweigh the advantages, and this is not the right year with Prop. 13 for change, supposedly. But at the same time, opposition will agree that a step towards an early calendar is an academically sound move.

In effect, **el DON** *believes that although the start of school on Aug. 27 would adversely effect some students, primarily those who have children who would be starting school at a later date, such a move would be in the betterment of education by getting the first semester over so there is no lame-duck session after Christmas. It must also be understood that any time a new system is initiated there will always be certain problems that will need to be worked upon.*

el DON *feels that the need exists for statewide adoption of a calendar which all state colleges and universities could use and be the benefactors of. This would necessitate a change in the state legislature's policy of maintaining a 175-day school year for community colleges as opposed to 162 for universities. This would provide a means for articulation which would be unsurpassable.*

Also, with more than 30 days Christmas vacation time with the early calendar, students and faculty members would have an opportunity to plan out such a time while the need for other long periods of absences might be eliminated.

Commentary

Nuclear power is safe and a necessity for U.S.

by Doug Ondrey

One of the major phobias of the 20th century is the alleged "spectre" of nuclear energy. We are constantly reminded of its "danger" and "toxicity." Rely on nuclear energy to produce electricity, some say, and it is a sure-fire recipe for disaster.

Please consider that there is much evidence to the contrary. Add this to the "energy shortage" created by government price controls, there seems to be but one course open to us: Put nuclear energy to work for us as soon as possible.

Nevertheless, there are those who, out of their ignorance and passion, have ceaselessly attacked nuclear energy in all its forms and aspects. They have summoned forth visions of a world inhabited with semi-human radioactive "mutants," hoping to deprive this Nation--indeed, this **planet**--of this much-needed energy source.

One line of attack has been on the toxicity of plutonium-239, the material mixed with uranium-238 to help increase the supply of nuclear fuel. It is alleged that this substance's health hazards are too great to permit its usage.

Plutonium is a **solid** material; the only way it can be harmful is if it were inhaled in a powdered form, and even then special mechanisms would be required to suspend it in the air. Thus, the "dangers" of plutonium seem to be greatly exaggerated.

Readers must be reminded that the sort of nuclear technology employed in the manufacture of electricity is radically different than that used to make "A-bombs".

This is brought up to make a very important point: another fear about nuclear energy is that a "terrorist group"--i.e., the Palestinian Liberation Organization or the Weathermen--could conceivably "take over" a nuclear power plant, and hold entire populations for ransom.

Such a group would have a great deal of difficulty in achieving this. There are elaborate "safeguard" systems protecting plutonium, and it is handled by a mere handful of persons, all of whom must have security clearances. In addition, plutonium is transported in armored trucks, protected by guards with "shoot-to-kill" orders.

It is beyond refutation that many anti-nuclear critics don't have the foggiest notion of what they are criticizing! . . . many approach the subject with foregone, negative conclusions.

An example: A Committee of Inquiry was appointed for the National Council of Churches by the late anthropologist Margaret Mead. Of the 21 persons selected for the Committee, 10 were clergymen and lawyers with little scientific information on the subject. Indeed, none of the 21 could seriously claim appreciable scientific knowledge about nuclear energy.

It is most unfortunate that demagogic politicians have jumped on the anti-nuclear "bandwagon." Sen. Abraham Ribicoff of Connecticut--one of the best informed men in the Senate on nuclear energy--once stated that "One thirty-millionth of an ounce will cause cancer if swallowed."

The Senator is way off the mark. For one thing, he is mathematically off by one million times; but, more importantly, only a tiny fraction of plutonium that has been swallowed could possibly get to the bloodstream through the intestine walls; hence, the probability of plutonium-caused cancer is remote.

There is also the fabled Harrisburg incident. The core of the plant was overheating, and the Governor of Pennsylvania thought it prudent to evacuate the plant. The national media went berserk, and anti-nuclear propaganda was somehow deemed to be "correct."

These other, noteworthy facts have not received as much publicity. They are (a) the low levels of radiation which escaped could not **possibly** be dangerous, and (b) the emergency shut-down system in the plant **worked**, thus preventing the situation from becoming even **slightly** dangerous.

And, of course, Gov. Brown had his appointees cancel the Sun Desert nuclear power plant project. "Environmental" pressure-groups are numerous in California, and active in the Democratic Party; the Governor would most certainly like their vote in a possible Presidential election.

The best road for this Nation is to give the "go-ahead" to nuclear power--and soon, before it is too late.

Feedback

Campus security force receives applause

el DON,

In the March 16 edition of the **el DON** I read an article which was very critical of Santa Ana College Security. Since I see this group from a completely different point of view, I would like to submit some of the positive services I personally know they perform.

As coordinator of the Student Health Center I respond to emergencies on campus as do the Security Officers. The officers have always been cooperative, prompt, and courteous in assisting staff of the Health Center when needed in these emergencies.

Some of their other services I am aware of are:

1. Helping students and staff retrieve keys locked inside cars.
2. Trying to locate persons who forget to turn car lights off on dark or rainy days.
3. Assisting in battery "jumps" when needed.

And--I appreciate that officers patrol the parking lots even if it is only a partial determent to theft.

Great work Security--we wouldn't want to try and get along without you!

Mary Jane Carbone
Health Center Director

SAC student lambastes el DON over editorial prerogative

Dear Editor,

In the issue of April 6, of this semester, the photo editor, Mr. Richard Mona, wrote an article (page 4 third column) about being harrassed by SAC Guards, granted I have no idea on what grounds Mr. Mona came to write this article, but I assumed that a college newspaper such as **el DON**, or any newspaper for that matter, was not a playing field for a vendetta. Mr. Mona's article was on the Editorial Page, yet it did not state as being either commentary or an editorial. Many of my friends at USC agreed with me in seeing this act of Mr. Mona's as yellow journalism, fast buck journalism and incompetence upon the Editorial Board and the Advisor Mr. T. Balles (sic).

I can remember in a past issue of your paper the Feature Editor, Mr. William D. Carstens, submitted a similar rebuttle (sic.) to a readers (sic.) letter stating that if the readers did not like what he wrote, they did not have to read it, as it would be their loss and not his.

Does Mr. Carstens consider himself as the worlds (sic.) greatest journalist? Do your advertisers have knowledge of these petty grievences (sic.), I think not. If you wish to continue placing pacifications to thse two persons, not only will you lose many readers and advertisers, but you might end in losing your paper as in the case with UCI's newspaper.

Very truly yours,
John McIntyre
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Holloway in one-man show, Winnie the Pooh highlighted

by Jim Ludden

Sterling Holloway, the voice behind Disney's "Winnie the Pooh" and the narrator of "Peter and the Wolf," will present a one-man show tonight at Phillips Hall.

The 8 o'clock performance will include singing, stories, animated voices, music and modern art commentary, anecdotes about his acting career and a special guest appearance by none other than "Winnie the Pooh."

An executive for a Hollywood movie company once told Holloway he was too ugly to act. Unfazed, he began packing for the trip back east to the New York theatre when another movie executive called. "I couldn't care less how you look, you have one of the weirdest voices I've ever heard and I'd like you to come work for me." The man's name was Walt Disney and the phone call sealed a partnership that began with the narration of "Peter and the Wolf" and lasted until Disney's death.

Holloway has also acted on television. His most memorable performance as the mad scientist on the old **Superman** series of the 1950's. "I remember one time I was tied up inside a room and Superman was to break through the wall and save me," Holloway recalled. "When he did, I thought it was one of the funniest things I had seen and started getting hysterical. The director loved it. He thought I was doing a great job of looking frightened."

Today Holloway spends his time at his home above Laguna Beach collecting modern art that he displays there. His collection was described by **Holiday Magazine** as a "living lived in gallery."

Holloway often speaks to local art and museum groups, and it was at one of these talks here at SAC that he got the idea for the one-man show. Tickets are available at the Phillips Hall Box Office.

WINNIE THE POOH--Sterling Holloway, the voice behind Winnie the Pooh and other Disney characters, will present a one-man show at Phillips Hall Friday night. Tickets are $2.50.

DANCING PUNKS--Several enthusiastic fans dance to the sounds of headline band Middle Class at SAC's first punk rock concert April 6. (Photo by Ace Oasis)

Feature briefs

The Spring Concert will take place in Phillips Hall this Sunday at 3 p.m. Featured in performance will be the 50-piece concert band and the Jazz Ensemble. Compositions by Tchaikovsky, Sousa, Woody Herman and The Buddy Rich Band will be presented. This is the next to last band concert of the year. According to Musical Director Ben Glover this show is probably their biggest. Admission for this event is $1.

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Dance Encounters, the annual dance concert choreographed and performed by SAC students and faculty, will be presented in Phillips Hall April 27 and 28 at 8 p.m. Many styles of dance will be showcased including ballet, experimental modern, jazz and tap. Tickets are priced at $2 general and $1 for students.

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The Santa Ana College Art Gallery will present a photography exhibit thru May 4. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to noon Fridays, and Tuesday and Wednesday evenings between 7 and 9 p.m.

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An hour-long music concert will be presented at the First Baptist Church of Santa Ana, 1010 W. 17th, next Tuesday (April 24) at 1 p.m. The program will feature students in Carolyn Verleur's Applied Music class. Performers include two organists and a rock group. All are invited to attend these free performances.

Dr. Banks to unravel own sanity formula

by Tom Schenden

"There are nine ingredients that make up a well-adjusted person," said Dr. Murray Banks, well known psychologist and dynamic lecturer. Dr. Banks has spoken in clubs, colleges, and conventions all over the world. He will disclose these nine secrets at SAC's Phillips Hall Saturday night at 8 p.m.

Bank's program, "What to do Until the Psychiatrist Comes," is one of the most frequently given speeches in the world, and has been so well received that it has been performed over 5,000 times.

Often called a "one-man monopoly," Dr. Banks blends serious psychology with hilarious entertainment. And Dr. Banks is not just a lecturer. He has recorded seven LP albums and written six books. The price of admission is $3.

Fish gotta swim, birds gotta fly, guys gotta . . .

by John Selindh

Now that Spring has sprung, a young man's thoughts turn to young women. A young woman's thoughts turn to the new summer fashions. Thus we have both sexes chasing skirts and no one ends up content.

There are two ways to combat this problem. One is to win some member of the fairer gender's favors with your charms. The other is to take a lot of cold showers. I'm now going to reveal my secrets for winning women, although they have never worked for me. My lack of success with girls has made me very knowledgeable on the subject, and has also run up my water bill.

The first thing to realize, guys, is that girls in college are now, more than ever before in their lives, interested in meeting men. In a recent survey I conducted among three randomly selected girls I know, 67% of them attended SAC for the sole purpose of meeting a husband, preferably a male one. (The other 33% attended SAC because they mistakenly thought it was a college.)

Since most women believe in women's lib, except where it affects courtship traditions, your next step as the male is to meet the lady of your amorous affections. Gone are the days when you had to be introduced by a mutual friend. It is now socially acceptable to walk up to your target, sit on her lap and then drivel on her. However, you'll find her more impressed if you have a clever opening line. Avoid cliche lines such as, "Don't I know you from somewhere?" "Do you come here often?" Or "Would you like to dance?" The last two are especially silly if you are sitting next to her in a physics lecture.

Try more original opening lines like, "Don't you know me from somewhere?" "Would you like to dance with Fred Astaire?" Or "Do you think **Rebecca** deserved to be the 1941 picture of the year?" These are sure to impress the young damsel, and make her want to get to know you better. (Especially if she is a psychology major.)

Now that you've got her hooked, the next step is to ask her out on a date. (For those of you who really need help, "date" is slang for an evening spent with someone of a different chromosome make-up. It is interesting to note that the term first originated during the dark ages when an unknown peasant asked Wanda Date out for dinner and a movie, although neither existed. Eventually they settled for some gruel and a trip to the submarine races which almost had to be aborted when the young peasant had trouble getting the reins to the mule from his dad.) To ask the girl out simply say, "Are you free Friday night?" If she replies, "No, but I'm cheap," drop her immediately. If she gives a more conventional answer, you're set!

Spring techniques on love given by el DON staff sex expert.

Take her some place different for your first date. A tour of a local dairy, a trip to the health center for a malaria immunization shot, or anything is better than taking her to dinner and a movie. Unless of course **Rebecca** is playing in town.

Keep the evening's conversation light and cheery, but also intelligent since you are dating a college student. You might want to discuss music or literature such as Sakespear's **Taming of the Shrew**. However, if she is a blonde, discussing the movie, **Attack of the Giant Shrews** might be more her speed.

Subjects to avoid include marriage, female problems, favorite birth control devices, the price of dinner, and most importantly marriage. Other than that just be yourself and have fun, or at least pretend that you are.

As your first date comes to an end, you must decide whether to involve yourself in osculation. Girls will usually leave little signs as to whether they are interested in oral interaction, which the experienced dater can pick-up. Positive signs to look for are removal of glasses if she wears them, offering you a Certs as you pull up to her house or whispering "I'm hot for your bod" under her breath as she gazes into your eyes.

Signs that she isn't interested in a good-night peck include putting on glasses, especially if she doesn't wear any. Yelling, "Dad, I'm home" as you pull up in front of her house. Or if she says, "Thanks for getting me in early, my mom thinks I'm coming down with leprosy."

Well there you have it gentlemen, the sure-fire success formula for winning girls. Oh, there is one thing I forgot to mention! It also helps to insure success if you happen to be six-two, have a great tan, blonde hair, winning smile, and piercing blue eyes. Sports car is optional. Good luck!

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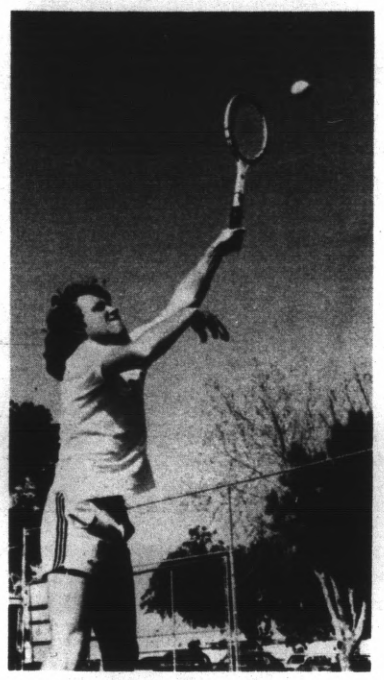
Men's Tennis

The men's tennis team, like the women's is preparing for the Ojai tourney which begins on Wednesday. Coach Lee Ramirez will have a doubles and two singles teams accompanying him.



STILL NUMBER ONE--Bill McQuaid suffered defeat in his last singles match, but he is still rated as fourth in the SCC.

Only Bill McQuaid (fourth rated singles player in the SCC) has insured himself a spot on the travelling squad as the rest of the closely knit Dons scramble for the other three positions.

"We're also hoping to have a good showing in the conference tournament (held in SDM)," said the SAC coach. "We have a pretty good chance with McQuaid. Hopefully, we will also have a couple of other surprises," commented Ramirez.

Ramirez reflected on the season to date. "We have worked hard or harder than the other teams. It's been enjoyable to watch the fellows improve."

Baseball

The busy Santa Ana College baseball team took control of first place Tuesday when they pounded Grossmont 16-6. The Dons had been tied with Orange Coast for the South Coast Conference lead until Cerritos knocked the Pirates out of the top spot, 6-5, on the same day.

In the second inning, the Griffins took a 5-3 lead. The next inning, the Santa Ana offense exploded and the game was never in doubt. Ed Nagelhout paced the Don attack with three hits, including a towering 400-foot homer to left. Bob Bennett gathered four hits, and Scott DeLong collected three safties to go with his four tallies and three stolen bases.

SAC plays its fifth game of this week tomorrow taking on Fullerton at noon.

Men's Volleyball

"We would like to win all our matches so as to gain momentum going into the state tournament," said Santa Ana's volleyball coach Tom Read. "We could do a good job in state and slide in the back door," he continued.

SAC's volleyballers would have to place at least second in the SCC to qualify for the state match. At press time they enjoyed a 3-1 mark.

Tuesday the Dons will challenge OCC at the beach school's court. "It's going to be a good match. It will depend on who wants to play," Read stated.

Track

Vans will pull out of SAC's parking lot today full of nervous, anticipating athletes. Their destination will be the Mt. SAC Relays (3 p.m.).

Track coach Howard Brubaker commented on the star-studded meet. "It's always a good meet. It's one of the best in the nation."

Santa Ana is coming off of an excellent showing in the Southern California Relays. SAC finished second to Moorpark by only two points.

Among the athletes Brubaker is taking, are the sprint (Erine Fisher, Carl Pope, William Steen and Tony Pitts) and 1500 meter men. The metric mile men (Steve Kovatch, Raul Aguero, Tim Woodward and John Timmermans) "ran the fastest time of the day" in their event at the SAC Relays, reported the coach.

Marathoning

The weather at race time was a shivering 42, but the crowd at the Boston Marathon warmed things up considerably.

SAC's own Carol Johnson participated in the 83rd running of the event and was but one of 7,800 entries.

In the actual race she started in a relatively good position. Johnson crossed the starting line two minutes after the firing of the gun, not because she was dozing, but because it takes time for nearly 8,000 people to pass the line. The last person crossed the starting line seven minutes into the race.

Johnson finished the race some 10 minutes off her best pace, turning in a 3-hour, 28-minute effort, placing in the top 4,000.

Softball

The Donas softball team squad is facing a problem fielding nine players. In a recent game, SAC's scorekeeper Jo Luzania took over third base when an injury reduced the roster to eight players.

ANOTHER NUMBER ONE--Darlene Solis is the starting pitcher for Dona softball. Here she is delivering a curve ball and she wishes the season would do a turn around. So far this season SAC softball has generated one win out of 15 matches.

According to Santa Ana's Coach Sally Palmer, "We've gotten by with nine players before. Not once since I've come here have we had to forfeit a game."

Hampered by injuries, the Donas were still looking for their first conference victory when they faced San Diego Mesa Wednesday. Santa Ana takes on Orange Coast here today at 3 p.m.

Women's Tennis

"It's great to say, 'I played at Ojai,' " said women's tennis coach Mary Mras. The SAC coach was referring to the "prestigious tournament" of women's college play.

The competition is extremely stiff as 132 of the best players will be vying for the singles title.

Representing SAC in this division will be Veronica Hardman and Tera Mulligan.

Coach Mras stated, "It's a tremendous experience . . . A climax to the entire season."

But before the Donas journey to Ojai, they must encounter the tough beach schools—OCC and Grossmont. "We'll go for it," insured Coach Mras. "If the girls knuckle down, they can do it."

Golf

Don's swim coach Robert Gaughran summed up this year's team by saying, "We just didn't have a strong team this year. The kids were realy nice and were fun to coach, but they just didn't swim fast."

Santa Ana ended the season with an 0-6 mark. Despite this record, there was at least one bright spot. Dennis Mohle has qualified for the state finals in early May.

"It's rewarding to see a kid improve while on the team," added Gaughran.

Swimming

"We were damn near run out of the league championships," stated golf coach Arlin Pirtle.

On Monday, Santa Ana's highly acclaimed golf squad used up 410 strokes to make the circuit around Grossmont's Singing Hills course. The Dons were 29 strokes off the lead (Fullerton) and placed last in the match, but still manage to hold onto second place in the SCC.

After Monday's beating, Pirtle immediately switched the goal of his troops. "The Southern Section is the only thing left to salvage," he insists.

Matt McLaughlin

More to life than high school and universities

Santa Ana College is to local students what Ellis Island was to foreign immigrants.

That is, any community college is the stepping stone many people need to get to the point where a university will accept them.

Many of the people who are reading this article are doing so because they are not in an upper bracket. This upper bracket can be several things, ranging from an extremely high grade point average in high school to a father with a tremendous income. Either of these "accolades" can lead to an education in the higher echelon.

Another mode of entering the university level is to display an ability of the utmost in athletics.

If none of these traits are applicable to you, but you still have dreams of attending a university, chances are you are enrolled in a community college somewhere.

For it is a proven fact that acceptance requirements to a four-year school are much easier for people who have done time at a "lower level" college than for those just graduating high school.

This fact was proven some years ago with the invention of the first junior college, as they were referred to in those days.

Since then the name has changed as the reputation grew, that is, the education of one of these institutions was equivalent to a four-year school.

The advantage of a two-year college is that the cost of attendance is substantially less than universities.

Another desirable feature about the mini-colleges is that of the second best athlete. Those who possess a yet undeveloped outstanding talent in sports receive one last chance to prove themselves worthy of university competition and scholarship.

In that respect a community college might be referred to as a last chance stop or a halfway house. But whatever the name, it still remains as an outstanding catalyst for furthering an education.

Many times athletes attend two-year colleges for this reason. Because of that, the level of play is often very exciting while upholding a high level of perfection.

In my time at SAC I have attended many games of various sports and found talent that seemed showcased in its outstanding execution. I have also witnessed teams which seemed to be inadequate for collegiate competition because of a lack of concentration or talent or both.

This made me think. Was community college athletics intended for the ambitious who wish to attend large universities? Or was it for the athletes who were not good enough to obtain a scholarship to a four-year school? Or just to participate and keep healthy?

My answer: it was a combination of all. If an athlete feels he has not reached his full potential or he thinks the college scouts missed him, he can attend a community school and for two more years display his talent. By the same token, an athlete who merely wants to get good exercise while receiving competent guidance can also join the various programs.

Some athletes who enter athletic competition just for fun sometimes find a side of themselves they never knew was there. They find a side that seriously likes to compete and win.

So for those who are here at SAC just for the fun of it, watch out you might learn to love it. And for those who are here with aspirations of continuing an athletic career as well as an education, good luck and give it everything you've got because you probably won't get another chance

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